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In re the application of:  
HUI-JUNG WU, ET AL.

Docket: 30-4731 (4780) DIV-1

Serial Number: 09/841,453

Group Art Unit: 2829

Filed: April 24, 2001

Examiner: Asok K. Sarkar

For: USE OF MULTIFUNCTIONAL SI-BASED OLIGOMER/POLYMER FOR THE  
SURFACE MODIFICATION OF NANOPOROUS SILICA FILMS

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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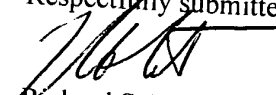
Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated April 23, 2003 finally rejecting claims 2-29 and 31-34.

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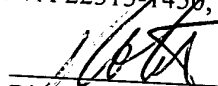
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